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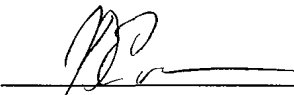
Claims 4-14 are hereby canceled without prejudice. Claims 1-3 and 15-18 are presented for examination.

Favorable action on the application is earnestly solicited.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned at (202) 624-2845 would be appreciated since this should expedite the examination of the application for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

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